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MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Steve England,

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CC: State Veterinarians

Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Utah

DATE: June 4, 2004

SUBJECT: VSV Embargo

With the information received earlier this afternoon that a horse located in Carlsbad, NM has been diagnosed with Vesicular Stomatitis, Kentucky's Administrative Regulation 302 KAR 20:115E now prohibits the entry of all livestock, wild and exotic animals from entering Kentucky from New Mexico.

Also, 302 KAR 20:115E requires that all equidae entering Kentucky from a state which has a common border with affected states be accompanied upon their entry into Kentucky with a negative test for VSV. The sampling shall be conducted during the ten (10) day period prior to the animal's entry into Kentucky.

States which are sending equine into Kentucky that are required to be accompanied with a negative Vesicular Stomatitis test are Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Utah. In addition all livestock from the non-restricted areas of Texas (East of Route 83 and North of Route 70) are required to be tested VS negative using the C-Elisa test.

Information regarding Kentucky's embargos can be found on the internet at www.kyagr.com

